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Center to help dislocated workers to open in Marion today

Marion, Ind. – Officials from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, the city of Marion, Grant County and the Madison-Grant Workforce Investment Board will officially open the new Workforce Resource Center in Marion <u>TODAY</u>, Monday, May 3, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.

Opened in response to the March 16 closing of Thompson Consumer Electronics in Marion, the center will serve the needs of all dislocated workers in Madison and Grant counties. It is funded through a \$200,000 grant from the state.

As part of the opening ceremonies, state and local officials will hold a news conference, which will be followed by tours of the facilities. Following the ceremonies the center will begin serving workers. The Workforce Resource Center will provide an array of services including job and career counseling, skill assessments, and education and job placement assistance.

WHAT: Workforce Resource Center opening

WHEN: Monday May 3, 2004

1:30 p.m.

WHERE: The Workforce Resource Center

800 E. 3rd St. (SR 18)

Marion, Ind.

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